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M a g a t s u k i











ENJOYING THEMSELVES,
BUT EMBARRASSED! ☆
HAPPY, BUT A LITTLE SHY!
BITTERSWEET AND
HEART-POUNDINGLY...♡

**LIKE A COUPLE
GOING OUT.**



UM, I...

LET'S
FOLLOW
THEM,
ORIHIME-
CHAN!



HURRY!

SEE YOU
LATER!



IF THE TWO
OF THEM
WENT OUT
TOGETHER,
THAT
MEANS...

THEY'RE
ALREADY...

WAIT, WHAT
AM I DOING,
CHASING
AFTER THEM?



WE'RE
FINALLY
ALONE.





THE NEXT
ONE...
WON'T BE
TO REVIVE
ME.

Uh...
Um, er...

Um...
I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO SAY TO
YOU, BUT...

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DOES THAT
MEAN HE'LL
CHOOSE ME?
OH! WHAT DO
I DO!

THAT'S NOT
WHAT I WAS
GOING FOR!

"RIGHT?"

WH
WH

SO FOR
ME TO DO
THAT...



I'LL
DO IT
RIGHT.
SO...

CAN YOU
GIVE ME
SOME
TIME?



I WANT YOU
TO GIVE MY
SOUL BACK
TO ORIHIME.



I WANT TO
BE WITH
ORIHIME.









URK ...

I SEE!

WELL,
THAT WAS
VERY LIKE
HIM.

SO YOU
WERE THE
ONE WHO
PULLED OUT
HIS SOUL!

PAT
PAT



WHAT ABOUT
YOU? YOU'RE
NOT GOING
TO FOLLOW
HIM?

ARE YOU
OKAY WITH
HIM LEAV-
ING YOU
BEHIND,
HINATA-
CHAN?

I WANT HIM
TO MAKE
ME AND MY
SISTER
HAPPY.



I ENVY YOU TWO... YOU CAN STATE YOUR FEELINGS SO OPENLY.



OH! ORI-HIME!















THIS
IS NOT
GOOD!

HIS SOUL
WILL DISSI-
PATE IF IT
SPENDS TOO
LONG OUT-
SIDE!

HUH
?!



IT'S
FADING
AWAY?!







I MADE THE
DECISION TO
TAKE THIS
THING SERI-
OUSLY.



I HAVE TO
GIVE IT TO
ORIHOME.



I
GUESS
I HAVE
NO
CHOICE.

BUT
RUNNING
AROUND
ANY MORE
WOULD BE
TOO DAN-
GEROUS.



...



ORIHIME!



THERE
SHE IS!

CHATTER

+

CHATTER

+

PLEASE!
COME
DOWN
HERE!

YA-
SUKE-
SAN...

ORIHI ME...

WHAT
IS HE
TRYING
TO SAY?

I
CAN'T
...



**LIVE
WITH-
OUT
YOU!**

LENCH





OKAY.
STOP
RIGHT
THERE.



THIS
GAME OF
CAT AND
MOUSE IS
OVER.



AND AP-
PARENTLY,
I'M THE
NEW
MOUSE!

RIGHT,

YAC-
CHAN?



NURSE

ORIHIME IS
RUNNING
AWAY FROM
YOU...?



OR RATHER,
WHAT DIDN'T
YOU DO?

WHAT DID
YOU DO?

WHAT'RE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!

**HIS SISTER'S
OUTFIT IS IN
HIS HEAD*



A-ANY-
WAY,
ORIHIME,
TAKE
THIS!









I'LL
MAKE
HINATA
HAPPY...

AND
YOU,
TOO,

ORI-
HIME.



DONT
YOU WANT
THAT?



I
WANT
THAT.

OF
COURSE
...



THEN...
CAN I PUT
IT IN?

YES
...

I'LL
MAKE
YOU
BOTH
HAPPY.

"HAVING YOUR
CHEST TOUCHED
IS MORE EMBAR-
RASSING THAN A
KISS!"



I CAN'T
LET THAT
HAPPEN!

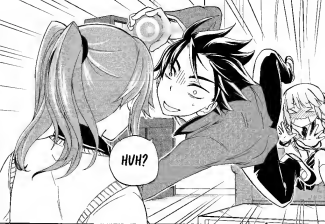


AT THIS RATE,
I'LL BE PUSHED
COMPLETELY
OUT OF THE
PICTURE.



HOLD
ON A —







I'M OUT OF AIR...

MAYBE I'M... FINALLY GOING TO DIE.

BUT I THINK...

I'M OKAY WITH THAT.





17 SO MANY SOFT THINGS!



IN OLD TIMES,
KANKO PEAK,
WHICH WE'RE
GOING TO
TODAY, WAS
FORBIDDEN TO
WOMEN...



WE'LL BE
HIKING
ON THE
FIRST
DAY...

OUR
TWO-NIGHT
CAMPING
TRIP
STARTS
TODAY.

UWA,
WELL,
THEN
...



IT WAS
SAID THAT
THE FOX
SPIRITS
OF THE
MOUNTAINS
WOULD
STEAL
WOMEN
AWAY...

AND TAKE
THEIR PLACES
BY TRANS-
FORMING
INTO THEM.













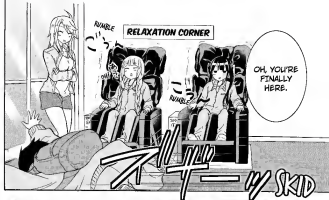




ARE YOU
SOME
KIND OF
HIKING
GENIUS
?!

TRAIL ENDS
CONGRATULATIONS!

WELCOME TO
KITSUNE BLOOM







SO IT
SEEMS PRETTY
UNLIKELY
THEY'D MEET
THE GOD.

THERE ARE
ALREADY
LOTS OF
PEOPLE ON
THE MOUN-
TAIN...



MY
PHONE'S
OUT OF
RANGE,
TOO.

WHAT DO
WE DO?!
THE SUN'S
GOING
DOWN!

THE
SAME
SPOT
AGAIN!

WHY
?



HUH?

YOU'RE
ALWAYS
SO CALM
AT TIMES
LIKE
THIS.

I'M
SURE
WE'LL BE
FINE.

HEY,
YOU
REMEM-
BER?

IF WE'RE
LATE, OUR
TEACHER AND
THE OTHERS'LL
COME LOOK-
ING, RIGHT?

WE ARE
ON THE
TRAIL...



SOMETHING
LIKE THIS
HAPPENED
ONCE WHEN WE
WERE KIDS.

IT'S
NOT
FUNNY!
IT WAS
REALLY
SCARY!

OH, YEAH!
YOU WERE
BAWLING
YOUR EYES
OUT.



THAT'S
WHY...

BUT... I WAS
SO RELIEVED
WHEN YOU
CAME FOR
ME.

S-
SORRY.

THAT'S
WHAT
MADE ME
SCARED OF
THUNDER,
TOO.









MAYBE
THIS'LL BE
ENOUGH.



HAS A
PREVIOUS
RECORD

IF
YOU'RE NOT
CAREFUL
WITH THESE
THINGS,
YOU'LL GET
IT.



MAY WE
SAFELY
REACH OUR
INN!



OKAY!
LET'S
GO!







I-I-I-
I MEAN,
GODS ARE
REAL!

SHAPE-
CHANGING
FOXES
COULD BE
TOO...

NO WAY!
YOU BELIEVED
OUR TEACHER'S
OLD FAIRY
TALE?

HAHAHAHA!



I WON'T
LET GO.

I...

IT'S
OKAY.

THIS IS YOUR
PROOF,
ISN'T
IT?

YOU'RE
SO
SILLY.













Y-
YASUKE IS
WASHING
MY HAIR....



"JUDGED
TO BE
SAFEST
POSIT-
TION



I...
I CAN
SEE...

FROM THE
CORNER OF
MY BLIND-
FOLD...



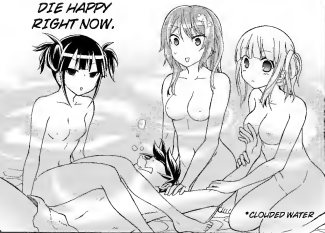






I COULD...

DIE HAPPY
RIGHT NOW.



*CLOUDED WATER

A TOPIC
LIKE THAT
COULD
GO ON
FOREVER!

WHAT'S
GOING ON
WITH YOU
GUYS?!

TIME FOR
SOME GIRL
TALK!

WEE
わく
わく
わく
OKAY,
THEN...



H-UM...

GASP



THEY'LL RUN INTO
YASHUKE!

IF THEY COME ANY
CLOSER...



SPLASH

ACK!

AHHH!



IT'S JUST
SO MUCH
FUN TO BE
IN SUCH A
BIG BATH!

WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING?



NGUUUUUUUUUUUUUUH!



**BUT THIS
ISN'T THE
TIME!**

**SO MANY
SOFT
THINGS!**







THERE
ARE
TWO...

AKARIS?





THE
FOX
SPIRIT,
AREN'T
YOU?

THE
RULER
OF THAT
MOUNTAIN...

YOU'RE...







MY
VOW IS
MADE...

NOW...

...HUH?!
WHAT THE
HECK WAS
THAT?!



I...

AM YOUR
WIFE.



18 ● IF YOU WANT SOMEONE
TO LOVE YOU











SHE'S A FOX
WHO BECAME
A GODDESS
THROUGH
BEING WOR-
SHIPPED.

NOW THAT
SHE'S BEEN
FORGOTTEN,
SHE'S LOSING
HER POWER.

WHAT'S
WRONG
?



NO...

THAT'S
WHY...



SHE
SHOULDN'T
EVEN HAVE
HER SHAPE-
SHIFTING
POWER
LEFT...

AT THIS
RATE, SHE'LL
PROBABLY
DISAPPEAR.



SHE NEEDS A
HUMAN WHO WILL
RECOGNIZE HER
EXISTENCE AND
PAY ATTENTION
TO HER!



ONE AFTER
ANOTHER!

I...

CAN'T
BELIEVE
YOU

ME
?!

YOU
CAN'T PIN
THIS ALL
ON ME!



I WAS
THE
SAME
WAY...





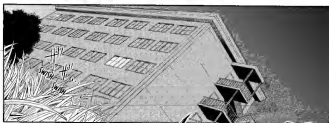














The man treated
the fox with such
affection, playing
with it every
day...

so the fox
wasn't lonely
at all.



One day, a fox kit who
had lost its parents
met a human man.

He had gotten himself a
beautiful wife and had completely
forgotten about the fox.



But suddenly,
the man
stopped coming.



and, angered, he
chased the fox away.



When the fox found out, it
took the wife's shape and
went to see him.



looking for someone who
will show it affection.



Ever since then, the fox
has taken the shape of
human women and
come down into the
villages..



**WHAT
CAN I DO
ABOUT
IT?!**

**WHAT A
JERK!**

**THAT'S
SO SAD!**

**WHAT
WAS THAT
MAN'S
PROBLEM?**



**OF
COURSE
THEY
WOULD!**

TELL...

**EVERY-
ONE...
CALLED
ME A
FAKE...**

**BUT... I
FAILED...**

**SO THAT'S
WHY YOU
TRANSFORMED
INTO AKARI
AND KAYANO?**



SOME MIGHT
LIKE THAT
APPEARANCE,
BUT...

THERE'S
NO POINT
IN JUST
IMITATING
SOMEONE'S
APPEAR-
ANCE!



HUMANS...
EVEN
GODS...

LOVE
SOMEONE
BECAUSE OF
WHO THEY
ARE.











THAT'S
...

WHAT'S
SIS
GONNA DO
WITH HER?



WHAT ARE
YOU GOING
TO DO WITH
THAT FOX
GODDESS?

WHAT
I'D LIKE
TO ASK.

HUIH
?!









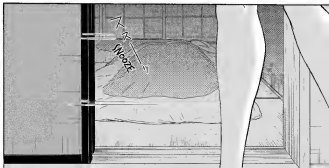




THEN WHY
DON'T YOU
CUDDLE ME?!

LIKE
CUDDLING A
PERSON...







HMM?

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19 ● I WANT TO BE WITH YOU, TOO





WOW!

IT'S A
NATURAL
POOL DIVIDED
FROM THE
RIVER!



I-I CAN'T
LET EVERY-
ONE SEE ME
IN THIS
OUTFIT!

WHAT'S
WRONG,
HINATA?



PLWS...









SHE JUST
HAPPENS
TO LIVE
NEARBY!

THE HEH!

THE TRIP WAS
RIGHT ON THE
DAY SHE MOVED,
SO SHE ENDED UP
JOINING US.

WHY
DID YOU
TRANSFER
RIGHT IN THE
MIDDLE
OF OUR
CAMPING
TRIP?!



HEY!
COME
HAND
OUT
WITH
US—

NO.

YOUR
HAIR'S SO
PRETTY!

CAN I
TOUCH
IT?



HUH?

YOU'RE NOT
ALLOWED TO
TOUCH ME.









QUICK,
SUCK THEM
BACK IN!

MAYBE
THEY DIDN'T
SEE THEM.

KAY...



DIDN'T I
TELL YOU
NOT TO
SHOW
YOUR TAIL
AND STUFF
TO ANYONE
ELSE?!



H-HER
TAIL
FEELS
NICE...

AHH!

STROKE
STROKE



AHH!



AH.

STROKE
STROKE





I WONDER!



IS
AKARI
YOUR
WIFE,
TOO?



WE
WERE-
N'T!



AND LAST
NIGHT
YOU WERE
MATE—

YOU'RE
ALWAYS
SO
CLOSE,
THOUGH...

NO!
NO!

DO-
ING
NO-
THING
!





NOW I'M THE
WIFE GOD-
DESS OF MY
HUBBY.



MY
HUBBY'S
BODY IS MY
TERRITORY.



IT SEEMS
YOU DON'T
UNDER-
STAND
WHO I
AM...

ALLOW
?

I WON'T
ALLOW
YOU TO
TURN A
PERSON
INTO YOUR
TERRI-
TORY!

YOUR
TERRI-
TORY IS
KANKO
PEAK!





**I'M
HIS
WIFE!**

**IF YOU'RE
NOT HIS
WIFE...**

**BUT ONLY
WIVES ARE
ALLOWED TO TOUCH
MY
HUBBY...**

**MY
TERRITORY
DOESN'T
AFFECT
HUMANS.**



**IF WE'RE
TORN APART,
YOU'LL DIE,
RIGHT?**

SHH!

A-AKA...



PRO-

**IT'S BEST
TO HAVE
LOTS OF
OFF-
SPRING.**

**POLY-
GYNY**



**IT
IS?!**

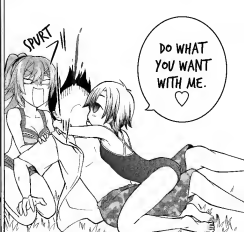
**THEN
IT'S
OKAY.**





WHY?

NO
NO
NO
NO!



SPURT

DO WHAT
YOU WANT
WITH ME.



DID YOU REALLY
THINK YOU
COULD WIN
YASUKE-SAN'S
HEART WITH
THOSE
CUTTING-
BOARD-LIKE
PROPOR-
TIONS?!
THAT'S
LAUGHABLE!

TRY
AGAIN
ONCE
YOU'VE
GROWN A
LITTLE!



IT'S
BECAUSE YOUR
BREASTS
ARE **TOO**
SMALL.

THE SUN
LOOKS
KINDA
RED?

DON'T
YOU
THINK...

SUN GODDESS
↓

YAAAGH!

WOOSH

RAAAGH!!







THIS
AWFUL
FEELING
WON'T GO
AWAY.

I
UNDER-
STAND,
BUT...



I...

I...
I CAN'T
TAKE IT
ANY-
MORE.



I WANT
TO...

MATE
WITH
YASUKE-
SAN,
TOO!

















YASUKE-
SAN...
I...

I WANT TO
BE WITH
ORIHIME.



I WANT
TO BE
WITH
YOU,
TOO.



WILL I
JUST
DISAPPEAR
INTO THE
MOUNTAIN
ALONE?



NOBODY
WILL LOVE
ME, AFTER
ALL...





AND
THAT'S
HOW...



A GROUP OF
FRIENDS WHO
ALL ACCEPTED
A NEW FORM
OF LOVE...

WERE
ALL...



...BADLY
SCOLDED.



THAT IN
BASICALLY
COPS, THE
USUAL
CONFER-
TIAL...

BLAM

BLAM

WORK-
ING IN A
GROUP
MEANS...

